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## SYRIAN LEPER SAYS HE WAS IN CLARKSBURG

A Baltimore paper a day or so ago announced that in addition to the case of George Rossett, the Syrian leper, who was corralled at Keyser a few days ago, the presence of a Syrian peddler in that city, afflicted with leprosy, had been discovered and that the man in conversation as to his whereabouts, stated that he had been in a hospital in Clarksburg, W. Va.

At the time, according to his statement, he was not very perceptibly afflicted with the incurable disease, and careful inquiry here fails to corroborate his statement that he had been an inmate in any local hospital, but being a foreigner, whose habits are strange, it may be he is correct in his statement.

It was impossible to learn from the fellow the name of the hospital, as he could not recall it. He stated in broken English that he had spent several months in this section peddling wares from house to house in the suburban and rural districts.

As a suspect precautionary measures were taken in Baltimore to prevent his coming into contact with the populace and to watch for any pronounced evidence of the disease which is so uncommon in America.

Rossett who was captured at Keyser last week, was shipped to Baltimore Saturday night in a box car and thence to Philadelphia, where the car was placed in charge of a detail of police, until the authorities there directed the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to return him whence he came. The box car he is in was attached to a fast freight bound for Baltimore, which was its first stop.

Before the train left the health authorities tacked on the car large quarantine cards bearing the words "Leprosy."

When the car reached Philadelphia, it was untacked and the doors were wide open. Rossett was sitting on the floor with his feet swinging out of the side of the car. The loathsome disease had partly eaten away his lips, nose and chin and the ends of some of his finger were gone. On his cheeks were large grayish blotches. The unfortunate man talked freely with those who came near him. He said he was 22 years of age and came to this country four years ago with his wife. Until last Wednesday he lived at Elkins, W. Va. Two years ago he said he became afflicted with leprosy but did not know it for some time. When he did learn the nature of his disease he told no one and was not molested until the health authorities of Elkins discovered the disease. This was about a week ago. He was told to take a train for New York and leave the country. Rossett was a peddler and had saved money so he decided to leave. After bidding his wife farewell, he was escorted to the B. & O. railroad by a health officer and a policeman and placed on board a passenger coach. At Cumberland, Md., the nature of his affliction was discovered by the train crew and he was told to leave there. He entered an empty car and stole a ride to Brunswick, Md., where he made his plight known to the train crew. He was half-famished and the crew gave him something to eat. The conductor of the train notified the company and it was decided to send him to Brothers Island, N. Y., where there is a small colony of lepers, as the best way of getting rid of their disagreeable freight. While at Baltimore a police guard surrounded the car. When Rossett arrived in Philadelphia he warned the crew in a loud voice to keep away from him.

According to officials of the B. & O. railroad, Rossett has to all intents and purposes been given a free pass good on any of the company's freight trains he may desire to use. The railroad company, regarding him as a trespasser has given employees instructions not to touch him, but denies all responsibility for him. If he leaves the premises of the B. & O. at Baltimore the police will turn him over to the officers of the health department, who will compel the railroad to remove him from Baltimore.

Knowledge of Rossett's condition has caused much uneasiness in the various Western Maryland and West Virginia towns through which he passed in his endeavor to reach the leper colony at North Brothers Island, N. Y., where he says he has a brother.

M. B. Davis, of Salem, was in the city Monday on business.

## BOY REFUSED TO ANSWER MAYOR

When Ben Lindsay was called up to face the mayor this morning he was confronted with a drunkenness charge. He is not yet twenty-one years old and the mayor tried to find out where he got his booze. The boy positively refused to tell and that was all there was to it except the fine. The mayor made it \$4.60 and then gave him an additional five days because of his refusal to answer questions.

Cale Griffin and Gene Gravens were in a little argument at Fourth and Pike Saturday night. They became boisterous and Griffin was arrested. Gravens had started across the bridge with the avowed intention of getting a gun but he was nailed before he had a chance. Each were fined \$4.60.

Lige Linkswaller was the drunkest man in the state Saturday and consequently he wasn't feeling at all well when he faced his honor this morning. He pleaded guilty all right and was fined \$4.60.

Jake Slaughter was the possessor of a strange drunk Saturday night. He was scandalous drunk and had a mania for just going to a house and pretend that he was going in. He didn't enter or make any serious attempts to enter but the police took him in. He was soaked \$4.60 and sent to jail for fifteen days.

## HOUSE BURNED AT WEST MILFORD

While Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon B. Ferrell, of West Milford, were out in a field picking blackberries between 8 and 9 o'clock Monday morning, their residence and the contents were destroyed by fire presumably of incendiary origin. The house was a one-story and a half frame structure. The loss, \$2,000, is heavy to them as they lost everything, not a single article of their household goods being saved.

There was no fire about the place, when they left, as they had turned the gas all off, and mystery shrouds the origin of the blaze.

## ITALIAN WAS FINED FOR TRAIN JUMPING

When a freight train pulled into the local passenger station Sunday Tony Ceborro, Italian, thought he would be a cut-up and show the people how he could get on. He got on all right but Officer Powell, of the B. & O. force, showed him how to get off. He was brought before Squire Harry Gordon and fined \$5 and costs which he paid.

## AT THE EUREKA

The Eureka Amusement Company and beer garden at McDonald's place on West Pike street has a change of program for this week. The Casper and Leon fight will be seen, as well as the "Insurance Solicitor." This is a very popular resort and is being extensively patronized. The program this week will prove a pleasing one.

## Marriage Licenses

Arthur Adams and Sarah E. Cross.  
Ferdinand E. Gird and Hallie C. Watkins.  
Daniel O. Clelland and Mantie S. Devers.  
Noah Hamrick and Geneva Maude Longenette.

## Hand Hurt

William McClung, the stone mason, had his right hand painfully mashed Saturday evening. A stone fell on it. He will not be able to use it for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Moore and a son all have typhoid fever at their home on Loest street. It is hoped they may all soon recover.

C. B. Lambert, the contractor, is here from Huntington, to look after some home matters.

Mrs. Allison Haggerty, of Wilsonburg, was here Monday shopping.

## LAFFERTY BOOSTS SOUTHERN PART

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., July 23.—R. C. Lafferty, of the firm of Holmboe & Lafferty, architects of Clarksburg, Elkins and Bluefield, a former resident of Wheeling, was in the city last evening for a few hours en route home from a visit to the southern part of the state for the purpose of establishing an office at Bluefield, and when seen stated that he was greatly impressed by his visit to the southern part of the state and talked very enthusiastically on the possibilities that are opening up in that country.

The development of Southern West Virginia has just commenced and during the next few years there will be something wonderful take place there in the way of a metamorphosis. Truly, the southern part of this state is but in its infancy as far as development is concerned, and yet with all that there is a wonderful amount of industry there, especially in the coal and timber business. All along the railroads that have been constructed there are coal mines which have a wonderfully large output and new mines are being opened up as fast as new railroads are completed.

## MAN STRUCK BY A TRAIN

W. H. Marshall, of Mt. Clare, was found Sunday morning by trainmen lying alongside the railroad track near the Lukens coal mines on the West Virginia & Pittsburgh railroad, and was brought to St. Mary's hospital. An examination showed a deep gash in the back of his head and a rib broken. He was hit by a train some time Saturday night, and it is supposed the accident occurred while he was asleep on the track.

## GIRL ARRESTED ON INSANITY CHARGE

Eva Lambert, aged 15 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Lambert, was arrested and jailed Sunday afternoon on an insanity charge preferred by her father. She will be examined before Justice M. S. Riley in a day or so. She manifests an intense hatred toward her parents and refused to go with them when they moved to Huntington a week or so ago, and had been staying alone at the house they vacated. She claims her parents punished her too severely, but neighbors say the same was inflicted for conduct unbecoming a girl of that age.

## GRAND OFFICERS THERE

A special convocation of Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter No. 11, will be held at Masonic temple tonight for work in the past master's degrees. W. Frank Clark, district deputy grand secretary of the grand lodge, from New Martinsville, and T. Wilbur Hennan, of Fairmont, district deputy grand master, will assist in the work. A large attendance is desired.

## Defaced Property

Joe Smith, a miner for Pinnickinnick, was arrested again Sunday. He has been a prominent figure in police and justice courts here for a long time. Sunday he was drunk and broke several windows from houses belonging to the Clarksburg Fuel company. He will be tried this evening.

## A Correction

Mention was made in this paper Saturday of the approaching marriage of Mr. Frank Gould and Miss Grace Flaherty. One of the parties desires that we deny that. The party claims that there is no foundation for such a rumor.

## Hods to Remain

Smith Hoon and son, Charles, are in the city from Fairmont, and will remain here a month or more to superintend the construction of this end of the street car line between this city and Fairmont. They will have headquarters at the traction office in the Moore building.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Husted, of Sardis, spent Monday in the city.

John Patton, of Craigmoor, spent Monday here.

## MANFRIDA WAS TOLD TO KILL

A resident of Grasselli informed officials here Saturday evening that he had just come into possession of a letter, disclosing the motive of Angelo Manfrida in committing suicide.

The man stated that the letter was mailed in New York, and, in sum and substance, its contents were a notice to Manfrida that he must forfeit his own life if he did not take the life of a noted personage in this section, and sure enough at the expiration of the thirty days as stated in the letter Manfrida took his own life, an evidence that he was not able to accomplish the mission delegated to him. This bears out the assertion of some foreigners at the time of his rash act that he was an anarchist.

The man with the letter refused to show it or to give his own name. He was referred to the proper official to look into the matter, but so far has not consulted him.

## TO FAIRMONT BY NEW YEARS

The latest figure on the completion for the line of the Fairmont & Clarksburg Traction company between this city and Fairmont is now the first of next year. Many things have conspired to delay the work but now all the materials are on the ground and all is in shape to be finished by the first day of January, 1907, at the latest. All the bridge-iron is on the ground and is being put up as rapidly as possible. One contractor has a three-months time limit on a big cut after the completion of a bridge and that will throw the work to the middle of the winter so it is figured. Supt. Smith Hood is spending most of the time in the portion of the line between this city and Shinnston. That seems to be the most difficult part.

## CONVICT ATTACKS FIVE GUARDS

(By Associated Press.)  
COLUMBUS, O., July 23.—While being led from the death chamber of the penitentiary to a bath tub today Butler Styles, colored, a murderer by Guard Moorehead, made a vicious attack on five guards without weapons. Four of the guards rushed in and clubbed him to the floor cutting three big gashes in his head. Styles had been feigning insanity, but after his wounds were dressed seemed perfectly rational for the first time since his incarceration. He is sentenced to die in September.

## ICE DEALERS INDICED

(By Associated Press.)  
CINCINNATI, O., July 23.—Ten individuals and five firms were indicted today on the charge of conspiracy of the ice companies to restrain trade. These indicted are members of the Ice Dealers Exchange, being those present at a meeting where an advance in prices was decided on.

## WEDDING AT ADAMSTON

At an early hour Monday morning at Adamston Mr. Curtis Duncan and Miss Jessie Miller were married by Mrs. C. A. Snider. Mr. Duncan is an industrious school teacher, of Margaret, and his bride and accomplished young lady of Rinehart. They will make their future home in Adamston.

Attorney Herman Tyson was a visitor here over Sunday from Philippi.

Matthew Ober, of New Martinsville, was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Deputy Sheriff W. E. Leonard came in from Salem Monday.

Mr. Bartlett, of Barbour county, who has been receiving surgical treatment at the Kessler hospital for some time, was dismissed this morning and returned to his home.

## RUSSELL SAGE IS NO MORE

NEW YORK, July 23.—Russell Sage died suddenly Sunday at his country home "Cedarcroft," Lawrence, L. I. The immediate cause of death was heart failure, resulting from a complication of diseases incident to old age. The veteran financier would have celebrated his 90th birthday Aug. 4. Sage had been in exceptionally good health since he arrived at his summer home about six months ago.

At noon Sunday he was seized with a sinking spell and collapsed into unconsciousness about two hours before death which occurred at 4:30 o'clock.

There were present at the end Mrs. Sage, her brother, Col. J. J. Slocum, Rev. Dr. Robert Leith, Dr. Theodore S. Janeway of New York, Dr. J. Carl Schmuck, the local physician and Dr. J. P. Munin for many years Mrs. Sage's family physician, who was summoned from New York when the first alarming symptoms became manifest.

The funeral is set for tomorrow afternoon at Far Rockaway and burial at Troy.

Mrs. Sage and her brother, Col. Slocum, are named executors in Sage's will.

Sage's fortune is estimated at from \$70,000,000 to \$100,000,000 by Henry Clews.

## DICK CRISS FOUND DEAD

Chief of Police Richard Scott received a message Sunday that Richard Criss, of Clarksburg was found dead on the street at Elkins Sunday morning and the chief was requested to notify relatives here. He did so and direction was sent to Elkins to ship the remains here for burial. Criss was a brother of Michael Criss, of this city, and George Criss, of Adamston. He was 22 years of age and quite well known here. There was no explanation as to the cause of his death. It is supposed he was seized with heart trouble and died before his condition was discovered.

## BLOODY WAS THE ENCOUNTER

(By Associated Press.)  
MANILA, P. I., July 23.—In an encounter with six hundred Pulajanes on the Island of Leyte Sunday Lieutenant "Warswick," of the constabulary, twelve privates and Civilian Scout McBride were killed. The constabulary was defeated and lost fourteen rifles and two revolvers. All the bodies but two were recovered. Reinforcements were sent to the constabulary. Lieut. Warswick is from Kansas.

## CROSS LEAVES FACTORY

William M. Cross, engineer at the Walthour candy factory, quit that factory Saturday night and accepted a place at the brewery. He had been at the Walthour factory five years four months and twenty-one days and those at the factory regretted very much his leaving there, as they all liked him very much.

## COUNTY COURT

County court will likely adjourn the term Wednesday after the annual levy has been made.

Monday George E. Lockwood qualified as notary public with F. H. Rhodes as surety.

An order was entered to summons Judge Nathan Goff in the Lee Hoffman road case for the second day of the September term of the court.

Joel F. Randolph's resignation as constable for Tennille district was accepted.

F. M. Davison was appointed constable to succeed Joel F. Randolph, resigned, in Tennille district.

The bond of John C. Johnson, administrator of the heirs of C. E. Pride, was reduced to \$20,000 and his settlement in the administration of this estate was confirmed.

Assessors Davis and Pigott have their books about ready to submit to the court. This will likely be done late this evening and tomorrow, after that the levy will be laid and the court will then adjourn the term as stated.

## MURRAY COLLECTED OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

## THE HOUSE 1 OF DEATH

CINCINNATI, O., July 23.—The Chateau le Mort, or the House of Death, is to be one of the features of the Fall Festival to be held in this city from Aug. 28 to Sept. 22, and a more unique conception would be hard to find.

It will be a place where all sorts of drinks will be served. But there is not where the peculiarity lies. The front of the structure will resemble a huge human skull and cross bones and a weird, red light will shine in each eye-socket. Inside, the tables will be coffin-shaped and at the head of each will be the regulation glass top. Under this the grinning face of a human skull will be peering through at the visitor as he or she partakes of refreshments. About the walls, the same effect will be carried out, grinning skulls leering and smirking on all sides.

The crowning effect, however, will be had in a feature in which the guests themselves will participate. At one end of the room will be a small platform. Any one who so desires may stand upon this and as the others look on, the person will gradually fade from sight and little by little the outlines of a human skeleton will appear. Finally the man or woman has entirely disappeared and the bones are in plain view. Then the reincarnation takes place, slowly as before, and when complete the visitor steps down and joins his party, alive, smiling and happy.

The waiters of this uncanny place must wear grave clothes. They will each have on long black robes, commonly called shrouds. They must never speak, even when taking orders.

This house or as it will be called, "Chateau le Mort," will be in Washington Park, part of the Fall Festival grounds. Other things quite as odd in their way will be seen at the big fair.

## WRECK VICTIMS TAKEN OUT

(By Associated Press.)  
NORFOLK, Va., July 23.—It was stated officially from the general offices of the Seaboard Air Line this morning that the bodies of twenty killed and twenty-four injured had been taken from the wreck between Rockingham and Hamlet, N. C.

## COLORED MINISTER DIED SATURDAY

Rev. John H. McDowell, colored, died at the home of Floyd Robinson, on Monticello avenue, at 10 o'clock Saturday night. Tuberculosis was the cause of death. Rev. McDowell was in his 37th year. His wife has been dead several years but he is survived by a son, aged twelve who is in Ellsworth, Pa. The remains are at the Carskadon morgue where they will remain until the son arrives. Arrangements for the funeral will not be made until the boy's arrival.

## Death at Industrial

O. W. Swager died at the home of his brother, E. M. Swager, at Industrial, Saturday night at 10:00 o'clock from a complication of diseases. He had been a cripple from birth and was never strong physically. He was twenty-two years of age. The remains were shipped to Wallace this morning and after service in the Methodist church there the remains were interred in the cemetery nearby.

## Infant Dies

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Stern Conaway, of Phoenixville, died this morning. The body was shipped to Tollgate this morning and interment was made at Auburn this afternoon.

Rev. J. D. Simmons returned Saturday night from a business trip to Weston.

William Murray, said to be a steel-worker from Pennsylvania, gave an exhibition of nerve that has scarcely been equalled in this city. Saturday evening he strolled into the Raymann Brewing company's office in Glen Elk, and after talking to Elmer V. Lowe, the agent, collected money from persons who came in while Mr. Lowe was in another room.

Left by himself he carefully took in all the money that people desired to pay to the company, representing himself to be the agent. In all he secured \$5.35 by this method.

Then fearing he would be caught he went to the station and when No. 12 arrived he made preparations to board it and go east, but Mr. Lowe had in the meantime discovered the fraud and caught Murray just as he stepped aboard the train. Then summoning an officer he had Murray taken to jail.

The trial will be held before Magistrate Harry Gordon Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

## SEVEN ARRESTS OF SEAMEN

(By Associated Press.)  
CINCINNATI, O., July 23.—Seven arrests were made here early today in connection with the shooting from the steamer Bonanza at Ironton on Saturday. The men are Captain Agnew, Pilot Agnew, Mate Connell, Fireman Finley, Fireman Manneway, Chippie Minard and Sheeney Myers. Preparations were made for their immediate return to Ironton.

## LONGWORTHS ROLL DOWN A BANK

(By Associated Press.)  
WERSEBERG, Bavaria, July 23.—Congressman Nicholas Longworth and Mrs. Longworth were thrown out of their automobile in a rut beyond this place today. They received no injuries. The steering gear of their car refused to work and the automobile, which was going at a rapid rate careened off the road and fell down a short embankment into a ditch. The chauffeur, after a short wait obtained a carriage in which they returned here and took a train for Bayreuth.

## SALEM IMPROVES

Work began today at Salem on a sewerage system and an extension of the water works, and the paving of one mile of streets will shortly begin. Contracts have been let for it all and it is all to be done by December 1. The paving will cost \$32,000 and the other improvements about \$10,000.

## MANIFESTO PREPARED

(By Associated Press.)  
VIBORG, Finland, July 23.—During the night a committee of seven members of the Russian parliament which dissolved yesterday prepared a manifesto to the country.

## More Travelers

Clarksburg Council No. 28, of the United Commercial Travelers, held a special meeting Saturday night in the Odd Fellows building and took three men into membership. They are A. K. Thorn and O. G. Knotts, of this city, and Max A. Kindel, of Baltimore.

Mrs. T. M. Donahoe and children left Sunday for Bedford, Pa., to spend the summer.

Rev. John A. Reynolds went to Parkersburg Monday morning for the day.

Guy Wilkinson was here Monday morning from Weston.

Frank Jones, of Wheeling, a former resident of Clarksburg, is in the city the guest of Anthony Bowen and other relatives.

M. D. Post, of Grafton, spent Monday in the city.

Mrs. Thomas Pettigrew and son, Charles, left this morning for their home in Duluth, Minn.

Miss Ella Mattingly, of Fairmont, is the guest of Miss Mary Canfield, of East Pike street.